

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation and the loss of an impartial press that is separate from the political process.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. Providing what amounts to a political ad 2 weeks before a contested election is not serving the community's interest but the network's

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.